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Delaware  
Weekly Crop and Weather Report

JUNE 27, 2005

ALL SUN AND NO RAIN BRINGS CROP PAINS

Despite the hard ground, hot and humid weather all week allowed farmers valuable time in the field. However, due to the lack of precipitation, crops are suffering. The curling of **corn** and the difficulty for **soybeans** to germinate were additional side effects of the week's dry spell. Hay dried quickly after it was cut. There were **7.0 days suitable for field work**.

**Small grains** are in mostly good to excellent condition. **Barley** condition is rated 1 percent poor, 10 percent fair, 69 percent good and 20 percent excellent. **Winter wheat** is rated 1 percent poor, 8 percent fair, 65 percent good, and 26 percent excellent.

**Pastures** are in generally good condition with 1 percent poor, 21 percent fair, 77 percent good and 1 percent excellent. **Hay supplies** are 8 percent short, 82 percent adequate and 10 percent excellent.

DELAWARE’S CROP PROGRESS FOR WEEK ENDING JUNE 26, 2005 (PERCENT)

Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	Average 2000-2004
Small Grain Development:				
Barley Harvested	75	67	85	68
Wheat Harvested	15	2	40	23
Planting Progress:				
Cucumbers	67	62	70	63
Lima Beans (Processed)	67	62	68	57
Snap Beans	92	88	96	87
Sorghum	97	95	97	73
Soybeans	84	80	85	67
Sweet Corn	90	85	84	83
Tomatoes	99	97	97	89
Emerged:				
Soybeans	75	67	78	55

SOIL MOISTURE CONDITIONS FOR WEEK ENDING JUNE 26, 2005 (PERCENT)

Condition	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
Topsoil Moisture	3	43	54	-
Topsoil (2004)	-	24	65	11
Five Year Average	4	16	62	19
Subsoil Moisture	2	23	75	-
Subsoil (2004)	-	4	96	-
Five Year Average	3	11	67	14

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	Precipitation			Temperatures			
Weather Station	Total this week	Total Since Jan 1	Departure from Normal Since Jan 1	High	Low	Average	Departure from Normal
<b>Maryland</b>							
Baltimore/Washington Airport	0.10	19.40	-0.15	91	52	71	-4
Easton	0.00	24.77	3.32	89	53	71	-5
Frederick	0.09	16.73	-2.69	93	53	71	2
Frostburg	0.18	19.78	-3.24	86	50	65	0
Hagerstown	0.04	13.66	-5.17	92	56	72	-1
Mechanicsville	0.23	21.46	-0.38	87	52	69	-6
Patuxent River	0.00	18.31	-1.47	85	54	72	-2
Ocean City	0.35	21.30	-0.09	87	50	70	-4
Salisbury	0.01	22.97	1.75	87	42	67	-8
Sharpsburg	0.12	15.94	-3.48	92	50	69	-2
Washington, DC (Reagan National)	0.03	20.12	2.23	91	60	74	-4
<b>Delaware</b>							
Dover	1.20	22.46	1.53	88	54	70	-6
Georgetown	0.29	20.47	-0.40	88	48	69	-5
Wilmington	0.00	18.55	-1.09	89	52	70	-4

Weather Data is provided by the Agricultural Weather Information Service, Auburn, Alabama and is considered preliminary.